



PRESS RELEASE

Cyber Security Week: Together we Secure the Future

2-5 October, The Hague, The Netherlands

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Between 2 and 5 October, The Hague is hosting the third edition of the international Cyber Security Week. At more than 50 events during the course of the week, hundreds of experts on Internet security and cybercrime from government, business and science will be sharing their knowledge, discussing the latest developments and pitching new innovative ideas. Together with around 4000 visitors, they will be looking for solutions to one of the biggest challenges in our modern, digital world: how do we ensure a safe cyber future?

For various reasons, cyber security has been featuring in the headlines increasingly frequently. Our digital security expressly requires innovative solutions based on international cooperation between countries and their cyber professionals.

An important issue here is the current lack of cyber security professionals with which governments, businesses and knowledge organisations are having to contend. Both developing and motivating this cyber security talent as well as working together on innovative security solutions are key themes during this 3rd edition of Cyber Security Week.

As an international data hub and digital entry point to Europe, the Netherlands plays an important role when it comes to tackling these threats and optimally guaranteeing the cyber security of our critical infrastructure.

Saskia Bruines, Deputy Mayor for Education, Knowledge Economy and International Affairs in the Municipality of The Hague:

“Technological developments are continuing apace and the current shortage of talent will increase if we fail to take action as a society. For that reason, public authorities, educational institutions and businesses need to join forces to train, attract and retain more talent. That is why it is important to teach children digital skills from an early age. From primary school to university, educating cyber talent has to be high on the agenda. We want everyone to participate so we can all work together to create a safe society.”

Programme

The parties participating in Cyber Security Week include CIPRE, Incident Response and representatives from numerous security clusters from the UK, Ireland, Germany, Israel, US, Canada, India and Japan. Many big and small companies specialising in cyber security will also be present. Together they will offer a wide range of interactive cyber games, challenges, presentations, workshops and showcases.

The first week of October will also see the start of the Alert Online Campaign and One Conference (2-3 October), all in the context of European Cyber Security Month.

During **CIPRE** (2-4 October), international cyber experts will meet to share knowledge about protecting our critical infrastructure.

On 4-5 October, there will be training sessions, practical workshops and network meetings of the American **Incident Response** Community.

On 4-5 October, the Fokker Terminal in The Hague will be the venue for the **CSW Congress & Expo**. The Congress comprises a matchmaking-programme, an Access to Capital event, an Access to Talent event, an SME Cyber Awareness Event and dozens of other workshops, sessions and keynotes relating to cyber security. During the CSW Expo, national and international organisations will present their innovative cyber security solutions.

Visitors

Cyber Security Week is expected to attract around 4000 visitors. These include:

- Cyber security professionals from 70 countries
- Dutch SMEs which recognise cyber security as a risk for their business and are looking for solutions.
- Start-ups/scale-ups and investors meeting each other during the Access to Capital event.
- Students and young professionals who will be offered a targeted programme during the Access to Talent event.

Cyber Security Week is an initiative of The Hague Security Delta (HSD), a network of companies, public authorities and knowledge organisations working together on knowledge development and innovations in the field of security. The Cyber Security Week is being funded by the city of The Hague.

More information about the programme is available at: www.cybersecurityweek.nl



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